§§ 2.502—2.504 [Reserved]

Subpart F—Additional Procedures
Applicable to Early Partial Decisions on Site Suitability
Issues in Connection With an
Application for a Construction
Permit or Combined License
To Construct Certain Utilization
Facilities; and Advance
Issuance of Limited Work Authorizations

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## § 2.600 Scope of subpart.

This subpart prescribes procedures applicable to licensing proceedings which involve an early submittal of site suitability information in accordance with §2.101(a-1), and a hearing and early partial decision on issues of site suitability, in connection with an application for a permit to construct a utilization facility which is subject to §51.20(b) of this chapter and is of the type specified in  $\S 50.21(b)(2)$  or (3) or §50.22 of this chapter or is a testing facility. This subpart also prescribes procedures applicable to proceedings for a construction permit for a utilization facility which is subject to §51.20(b) of this chapter and is of the type specified in §50.21(b)(2) or (3) or §50.22 of this chapter, or proceedings for a combined license under part 52 of this chapter, either of which includes a request to conduct the activities authorized under §50.10(d) of part 50 of this chapter in advance of issuance of the construction permit or combined license, and submits an application in accordance with §2.101(a)(9).

- (a) The procedures in §§2.601 through 2.609 apply to all applications under this subpart.
- (b) The procedures in §§ 2.611 through 2.619 apply to applications for a permit to construct a utilization facility which is subject to §51.20(b) of this chapter and is of the type specified in §50.21(b)(2) or (3) or §50.22 of this chapter or is a testing facility.
- (c) The procedures in §§ 2.621 through 2.629 apply to applications for combined license under part 52 of this chapter for a nuclear power facility.

(d) The procedures in §§2.641 through 2.649 apply to phased applications for construction permits or combined licenses which request limited work authorizations to be issued in advance of issuance of the construction permit or combined license (i.e., a phased application).

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#### § 2.601 Applicability of other sections.

The provisions of subparts A, C, G, L, and N relating to applications for construction permits and combined licenses, and proceedings thereon apply, respectively, to such applications and proceedings in accordance with this subpart, except as specifically provided otherwise by the provisions of this subpart.

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### § 2.602 Filing fees.

Each application which contains a request for early review of site suitability issues under the procedures of this subpart shall be accompanied by any fee required by §50.30(e) and part 170 of this chapter.

# § 2.603 Acceptance and docketing of application for early review of site suitability issues in a construction permit proceeding.

- (a) Each part of an application for a construction permit submitted in accordance with §2.101(a-1) of this part will be initially treated as a tendered application. If it is determined that any one of the parts as described in §2.101(a-1) is incomplete and not acceptable for processing, the Director of the Office of New Reactors or the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, as appropriate, will inform the applicant of this determination and the respects in which the document is deficient. Such a determination of completeness will generally be made within a period of 30 days.
- (b)(1) The Director of the Office of New Reactors or the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, as appropriate, will accept for docketing

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part one of an application for a construction permit for a utilization facility which is subject to §51.20(b) of this chapter and is of the type specified in §50.21(b)(2) or (3) or §50.22 of this chapter, or is a testing facility where part one of the application as described in §2.101(a-1) is complete. Part one of any application will not be considered complete unless it contains proposed findings as required by §2.101(a-1)(1)(i) and unless it describes the applicant's site selection process, specifies the extent to which that process involves the consideration of alternative sites, explains the relationship between that process and the application for early review of site suitability issues, and briefly describes the applicant's long-range plans for ultimate development of the site. Upon assignment of a docket number, the procedures in  $\S 2.101(a)(3)$  and (4) relating to formal docketing and the submission and distribution of additional copies of the application shall be followed.

(2) Additional parts of the application will be docketed upon a determination by the Director of the Office of New Reactors or the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, as appropriate, that they are complete.

(c) If part one of the application is docketed, the Director of the Office of New Reactors or the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, as appropriate, will cause to be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER and send to the Governor or other appropriate official of the State in which the site is located, a notice of docketing of the application which states the purpose of the application, states the location of the proposed site, states that a notice of hearing will be published, requests comments within 120 days or such other time as may be specified on the initiation or outcome of an early site review from Federal, State, and local agencies and interested persons.

### § 2.604 Notice of hearing on application for early review of site suitability issues in construction permit proceeding.

(a) Where an applicant for a construction permit requests an early review and hearing and an early partial decision on issues of site suitability

pursuant to §2.101(a-1), the provisions in the notice of hearing setting forth the matters of fact and law to be considered, as required by §2.104, shall be modified so as to relate only to the site suitability issue or issues under review.

(b) After docketing of part two of the application, as provided in §§ 2.101(a-1) and 2.603, a supplementary notice of hearing will be published under §2.104 with respect to the remaining unresolved issues in the proceeding within the scope of §2.104. This supplementary notice of hearing will provide that any person whose interest may be affected by the proceeding and who desires to participate as a party in the resolution of the remaining issues shall file a petition for leave to intervene pursuant to §2.309 within the time prescribed in the notice. This supplementary notice will also provide appropriate opportunities for participation by a representative of an interested State under §2.315(c) and for limited appearances under § 2.315(a).

(c) Any person who was permitted to intervene as a party under the initial notice of hearing on site suitability issues and who was not dismissed or did not withdraw as a party may continue to participate as a party to the proceeding with respect to the remaining unresolved issues, provided that within the time prescribed for filing of petitions for leave to intervene in the supplementary notice of hearing, he or she files a notice of his intent to continue as a party, along with a supporting affidavit identifying the specific aspect or aspects of the subject matter of the proceeding as to which he or she wishes to continue to participate as a party and setting forth with particularity the basis for his contentions with regard to each aspect or aspects. A party who files a non-timely notice of intent to continue as a party may be dismissed from the proceeding, absent a determination that the party has made a substantial showing of good cause for failure to file on time, and with particular reference to the factors specified in §§ 2.309(c)(1)(i) through (iv) and 2.309(d). The notice will be ruled upon by the Commission or presiding officer designated to rule on petitions for leave to intervene.